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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

In response to the Office Action dated August 8, 2008, the period for response being extended one month to December 8, 2008, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.